The iuſt cenſure and reproofe of Martin Iunior.

Wherein the raſh and vndiſcreete headines of the foolish youth, is sharply mette with, and the boy hath his leſson taught him, I warrant you, by his reuerend and elder brother, Martin Senior, ſonne and heire vnto the renowmed Martin Mar-prelate he Great.

Where alſo, leaſt the ſpringall ſhold be vtterly diſcouraged in his good meaning, you ſhall finde, that hee is not bereaued of his due commendations.

The reproofe of Martin Iunior,

by his elder brother.

WHo then! And boyes will now be a Piſtle-making, either without their fathers leaue, or their elder brothers aduiſe, we ſhall haue our fathers Art brought to a prettie paſſe within a while, I could a told tis long agoe, that my father would get him ſo many ſons, as Iohn Canturbury woulde haue no cauſe to ſitte quiet at dinner or ſupper, for looking to his young nephewes. I thought boyes would be a doing. But, fooliſh ſtripling, canſt thou tell what thou haſt done? I weene not, if my father ſhould be hurt, either at the Groine, or at the ſuburbes of Lisbone, is this the way either to cure him, or to comforte him, to publiſhe his ſcrabled and weather-beaten papers in this ſorte? What if hee hadde in purpoſe to write no more, ſeeing the daunger and trouble that comes of it? Will this be any meanes to worke the olde mans quietnes, for a fooliſh and a headie ſpringal, to go ſet abroad his papers? Thou ſaweſt wel enough, that Martins doings were now almoſt forgot & huiſht. And the [a] men of ſinne themſelues, I meane the Canturburie Caiphas, with the reſt of his Antichriſtian beaſts, who beare his abominable marke, were content in a maner to turne his purpoſes from a ſerious matter, to a point of jeſting, wherewith they would haue onely rimers and ſtage-players (that is, plaine rogues, as thou haſt well noted) to deale.

[a] Beare witnes, Reader, that I giue my Lordes their right titles.

deale. So that had not thy vntimely folly bewrayed it ſelfe, it may be, that the ſyllogiſmes whereby our father hath crackt the crowne of Canturbury, ſhould haue had no other anſwere, or he himſelfe none other puniſhment but this. I faith lette him go, Martin is a madde knaue. Whereas now vpon this ſcrabbling and paltring of thine, marke whether Iohn Canturburie will not ſende for all the knaue purſuvants that belongs vnto his popedome, and ſet them a worke with the confutation of Martin, vſing ſome ſuch ſpeach as this is, in the direction of them, for the choice of their Arguments againſt him.

An Oration of Iohn Canturburie to the purſuvants, when he directeth his warrants vnto them to poſt after Martin.

Now ſirs, is not her Majeſties high commiſſion, and my ſelfe alſo being the chiefe thereof, and one of her Majeſties priuie counſell wel ſet vp, with a company of meſſengers, as long as we haue you to goe of our buſines? What thinke you? Haue you beene carefull of vs and our places, to finde vs out the preſſe and letters, wherewith theſe ſeditious Martins are printed? Or, haue you diligently ſought mee out Walde-graue the Printer, Newman the Cobler, Sharpe the booke binder of Northampton, and that ſeditious Welch man Penry, who you ſhall ſee will prooue the Author of all theſe libelles? I thanke you Maiſter Munday, you are a good Gentleman of your worde. Ah thou Iudas, thou that haſt alreadie betrayed the Papiſtes, I thinke meaneſt to betray vs alſo, Diddeſt thou not aſſure me, without all doubt, that thou wouldeſt bring mee in, Penry, Newman, Walde-graue, preſſe, letters, and all, before Saint Andrewes day laſt. And nowe thou ſeeſt we are as farre to ſeeke for them, as euer we were. Nay, vnleſſe we haue

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them now, they are like to trouble [a] our Churche more then euer they did. For here is a yong Martin hatched out of some poysoned egge of that seditious libeller, Old Martin. Why truly it grieues me, at the heart, that I, by her Maiesties fauor, hauing more authoritie in mine hande to represse these Puritanes, then any bishop else hath had in England these thirtie yeeres, yet shoulde be more troubled and molested by them these sixe yeeres, then all my predecessors haue beene these six and twentie yeeres. And all this commeth by reason of your vnfaithfulnes and negligence, whome wee send for them. Well, I giue you warning, looke better vnto your offices, or else let mee be damned [b] body and soule, if I turne you not all out of your places. Therefore looke to it: for nowe euery one of you shal haue warrants, both for himselfe, and as many as you will substitute vnder you besides. Bring vs whomesoeuer you suspect, your warrants shall serue you to doe it. And if you can finde vs eyther young or olde Martin, Penry, or Walde-graue, so that you bring the presse and letters, hee shall haue fortie poundes for his labour, who so euer will bring them, his charges and all borne cleare. But if you bring vs neither Martin, the presse, nor those aforenamed, neuer looke vs in the face more. And me thinkes for your owne good, you shoulde be carefull to get in these seditious men: for if we that are Lordes of the Cleargie go downe once, then shall you be sure to fall: for, poore men, you haue nothing but what you get in [c] our seruice that are your Lordes and Maisters. And me thinkes, if these wayward men had anie conscience in them, they woulde not seeke our ouerthrow

a But not the church of Christ, good vncle: you doe not so greatly care though they did.

b Neuer condition for the matter man, for except thou repent, thou arte sure of that alreadie.

c And you haue nothing neither your selues, but what you get in the seruice of your Lorde and Master the diuel.

uerthrowe with tooth and naile, as they doe, seeing so many honeſt poore men, yea, and manie a good Gentleman too by my troth, liue onely by vs and our places.

Well, if euer you meane to do anie good in this matter, take mee this courſe, which wee here in commiſſion haue thought meeteſt; let a ſix or ſeuen of you, or your ſubſtitutes that ſtay heere in London, watch mee Paules Churchyard, eſpecially haue an eie to Boyles ſhop at the Roſe. And let ſome one or two of you that are vnknowen goe in thither, and if there be any ſtrãgers in the ſhop, fall in talke with them of Martin, commend him, and eſpecially his ſonnes laſt libell, (and heere, hee that will take that courſe, take me this, that if need be you may ſhew it) ſhewing, that by great friendſhippe you gote one of them, ſaying alſo, that you vnderſtoode a man might there helpe his friend to ſome, if he were acquainted with Maſter Boyle, and offer largely for it. Now ſir, if any ſhall either enter with you vnto any ſpeches againſt the ſtate, and in defence of theſe libelles: or elſe, if any can procure you to the ſight of the bookes, be ſure to bring them before vs. Though you learne not their names, yet your warrants ſhall ſerue your turnes, in as much as you doe ſuſpect them. And thus I would haue ſome of you beſtowed.

Let three or foure more of you or your ſubſtitutes be euery day at the Blacke Friers, Lincolnes inne, White-chappell, Paules chaine, as often as Charke, Gardiner, Egerton, or Cooper do preach. And truely, my Lorde of London, I marueile [a] you ſuffer theſe men all this while, to trouble the ſtate by their preachings: by the maſſe I had not thoght they

[a] Surelie I dare ſweare for him he is not in the fault: for they ſtand againſt his will.

they ſhould haue ſtoode halfe this time) and there ſee if you can drawe by ſpeach anie thing from any Martiniſt, and let vs talke with them. Eſpecially marke if you ſee any before the ſermon beginnes, ſetting their heads together, and whiſpering vnder their cloakes, if you doe, be ſure they are reading Martin, and haue them foorthwith to the priſon vntill we ſend for them, or cauſe them to putte inſufficient ſureties, to appeare the next court day.

You that ſtay here in London, muſt alſo be ſure, if poſſibly you can, to haue a watch at al common innes, to ſee what carriage of paper, and other ſtuffe, either goes from, or commes to London. Thereby you may happely learne ſomething. And marke if any Puritane receiueth any thing, open his packe, that you may be ſure hee hath no Martins ſent him. We will direct our warrants ſo, that you may ſearch all packes [a] at your diſcretion. We will take order alſo, that the Court may be watched who diſperſe, or reade theſe libelles there. And in faith I thinke they doe my Lord of Eſſex greate wrong, that ſay, he fauours Martin: I do not think he will be ſo vnwiſe, as to fauour theſe, who are enemies vnto the ſtate. For if hee doe, her Maieſtie, I can tell him, will withdraw her gratious fauour from him; but take you no care for the court. Watch you London, and learne mee where Newman and Walde-graues haunt is, and there be ſure to watch earely and late. Haue an eie alſo vnto all the Puritanes houſes in London, eſpecially my L. Maiors, Alderman Martins, and the Preachers houſes. Let none that you ſuſpect be vncited.

As for you that goe into the countrey, I woulde haue ye eſpecialy go into Northampton and Warwicke

[a] I hope the purſuvants in time ſhall be able to make a good liuing, in taking toll of theſe packes which they do not open

wicke shires, and command the Maior, and Constables of Northampton to keepe watch and warde for Sharpe and Penry, and if they can take them, let them bring them vp, and we wil be sure to content them well for their paines. Others must goe into Essex, Suffolke, and Norffolke. And if you can bring vs no Martinists from thence (at the least, that by that meanes your charges may be borne, I would ye might starue for me.) There is Moore, there is Aline, there is Knewstub, there is Wright, with many others, all very seditious men, that is pitty by my troth, that so many worshipfull and good nurtured knights and gentlemen, are carried away with them, and their waywardnes, as in those partes are seduced. But I hope her Majestie will haue an vniformitie. To be briefe, I haue saide enough vnto you alreadie, but my meaning is, that you should [redacted] her Majestie hath, or finde out Martin. Goe me to Deuonshire, and to the North partes, where my Lords grace of Yorke also will direct his warrants by you, to seeke this traitour Martin. For I will haue him, or else I wil no longer be archbishop of Canturburie. He die at the Groine, as they saie? Naie, heele be hanged ere heele die there. He is in some corner of England, lurking and doing mischiefe. I tel you true, I[a] doe thinke him and his brood to be worse then the Iesuits. These Martinists are all of[b] them traitors and enemies vnto her Majestie, they will ouerthrowe the state, they are most rebellious and disobedient vnto all good proceedings. No warning will serue them, they growe worse and worse. I perswaded my selfe, that none euer durst attempt to write besides this desperate wretch Martin himselfe,

goe all the ground

a He beleeue you o your word

b Sauing your reuerence vncle Cantur. you lie in your throate.

ſelfe, if he ſtill enjoy his libertie, his broode wil become as deſperate as himſelfe, his impunitie will make them preſume to ſpeake againſt the ſtate. And therefore, either get him, or wee ſhall neuer ſtaie their courſe. And I thinke I ſhall grow ſtarke [a] madde with you, vnleſſe you bring him. Therefore, my maiſters, as you haue anie care for the pacifieng of the ſtate, and your owne preferrement, ſome waie or other compaſſe mee to finde the firſt Martin himſelfe whereſoeuer hee bee. Spare no charges. Get him, and ſee what weele do for you. For if we were not in hope to come by him throgh your meanes, we woulde caſt about another waie, to ſuppreſſe his libelling. For wee woulde make friendes to haue him proclamed traitour, and haue it fellonie, if wee coulde, for anie manne to reade his writings. And heere an ende with you.

[a] Amen, good Iohn, if thou doeſt not belong to the Lord, ka M. Martin Senior.

Loe, ſir boy, haue you not ſpunne a faire threed, for our fathers eaſe and quietneſſe, and for the quietneſſe of your brethren? If our vncle Canturburie ſhould take this courſe, where ſhall the old man ſtaie then? You ſee England wil be made too hote for him, if hee be liuing. Whie thou ſimple and vnexperienced ladde, thou, my father, my father, I tell thee had beene better, it maie bee, that thou haddeſt neuer, I tell thee trueth, learned a wotde of Iriſh in thy life, then to haue in this heate of the yeare publiſhed his vnperfite queſtions. Doeſt thou not ſee, thy vncle Canturburie abroad in his viſitation? Doeſt thou not ſee with how manie men Eſau rides, that if hee meete with his poore brother Iacob, he maie be ſure to ſucke his blood. Is ſeuen ſcore horſe nothing, thinkeſt thou, to bee in the traine of an Engliſh Prieſt? whereof alſo

there are thirtie Golde! chaines ? Doeſt thou thinke, that the kingdome of Chriſt which thy father ſeeketh to builde ſhall be able to ſtand, ſeeing Iohn Canturburie, with ſo manie menne rideth about the countrie, to proclame nothing elſe but fire and ſworde, vnto as manie as profeſſe themſelues to be the true ſubjects thereof ? Whie thou ſeeſt he goes a viſiting purpoſlie for no other end, but to make it knowen, what an enmitie and hatred hee beareth to the Goſpell and kingdome of Chriſt Ieſus, and to ſhew howe carefull he is, that that hereſie of preaching maie not preuaile. Doeſt thou then perſwade thy ſelfe, ſeelie ſtripling, that there is anie good to be done, in ſending a Piſtle vnto him, ſeeing he hath ſo manie men in his traine who will ſweare for him, that he loues none of theſe hote preachers. Mee thinkes my father himſelfe ſhoulde be afraide of him, beeing ſo well horſed as he is. And therefore follie for one of his young ſonnes, to thinke his ſtrength ſufficient to beare the encounter.

It may be thou wilt ſay, that thy father is euerie day in the weeke able to make as many men of his owne charges; I woulde he were elſe: if hee be, it is more then I knowe, I promiſe thee, and I thinke more then thou canſt prooue. But howſoeuer it goes, thou ſeeſt what a credite it is for an Engliſh Prieſt, to haue ſo many men following of him, as in the day of judgement there may be enough, of thoſe that ware his liuerie, to witnes againſt him, that in this life he was a monſtrous Antichriſtian pope, and a moſt bloody oppreſſor of Gods Saints.

Be it, my father were dead, as you ſeeme to giue out, and for mine owne parte, I will not gainſay you,

you, becauſe I for my parte maie truelie ſaie, that his eldeſt childe neuer knewe him, and therefore is ignorant whether he be liuing or dead: yet brother Martin, I doe ſee in the publiſhing of theſe things by you, two great ſlippes committed; the one of inconſideracie, the other of vndutifulnes. Your raſhnes, and want of wiſedome other men, I ſee are like to feele, your vndutifulnes is onelie towardes my ſelfe, which I cannot well put vp, and becauſe of thy raſhnes.

Marke whether thoſe poore men beforenamed, to wit, Penry, Sharpe, Walde graue, Newman, &c. with many other good men, who *I* dare ſware for them, did neuer medle nor make at anie time, with the metropoliticall writings of our renowmed father, ſhal not be now as hotlie purſued after, as euer they were. And al this comes of thy fooliſh and paltrie meddling in matters too high for thy capacitie. And thus other men are like to ſmart by thy follie.

As for my ſelfe, to omitte the honourable mention that my father (my father, I ſaie, *Quem honoris cauſa nomino, quoties nomino, nomino autem ſæpiſſime*) made of me in his writings, whereas hee did not once vouchſafe to ſpeake a worde of ſuch a dilling as thou art, *I* ſhould haue thought, that the verie name of an elder brother ſhold haue taught thee, that there had beene one in the world, to whome by right of inheritance, the Piſtling of biſhops had belonged, after the deceaſe of reuerend Martin himſelfe. Whie who ſhould ſette out my fathers writings but *I*, Martin Senior, his ſonne? At the leaſt, who ſhould publiſh them without my leaue? So that herein thy vndutifulnes is no leſſe thé thy

headie and rash inconsideracie.

To retourne againe vnto our reuerend father. Of all other things *I* would wish thee not to come within his reach, if hee be liuing, for an thou doest, *I* can tell thee heele giue thee such a lesson for thy sawcinesse, as *I* thinke thou shalt neuer be Lord bishop while thou liuest. For it may bee, that the expectation which menne haue conceiued of the proofe of such points, as thou hast laid downe, will force him to alter his purpose in, More worke for the Cooper, and fall a prooving of these thinges, least men should hold themselues deluded by thee. And will this be no paine thinke you, sir boy? Will it be no labour for a man, hauing finished a booke, to alter his course, and make it wholie newe? And this thou knowest he must do, vnlesse his wisedom hath before hand preuented the inconuenience. *I* deny not in deede, but it is easier for him to alter his course, then for any one writer that *I* knowe of, because hee hath chosen him such a methode as no man else besides hath done. Nay, his syllogismes, exiomes, method, and all are of his owne making, hee will borrowe none of these common schoole rules, no not so much as the common grāmar, as it apeareth by that excellent point of poetrie, written in Latin by him against Doctor Wingken de Werd. There thou shalt see such grammar, such Arte, such wit and conueiance of matter, as for the varietie of the learning, and the pleasauntnesse of the stile, the like is not else-where to bee found.

My father, I tell you, saying his worship, standes vpon the credit o his children.

D. Prime.

But least I should vtterly discourage thee, poore knaue, *I* will before *I* touch the rest of thine euer fights, attribute vnto thee thy deserued commenda-

dations. *I* confeſſe then, that thou canſt doe prettily well; thou canſt enter reaſonable into the ſynows of thine vncle Canturburies popedome, and make a tollerable Anatomie thereof. *I* muſt needs alſo ſay for thee, *Iacke*, that thou feareſt none of theſe popes. And *I* promiſe thee, *I* thinke thou haſt a pretie mother wit of thine owne; but, poore boy, thou wanteſt wiſedome, withall to gouerne thy witte. Thou wanteſt that which thine vncka Bridges hath not, that is, wiſdome to direct thee in the carriage of thoſe pretie crochets that thou haſt in thy head. And the poore old Drone o Sarum lacks that altogether, wherewith thou arte prettily furniſhed, viz. a naturall wit. Neither doe I deny, boy, but that thou art Tom tell-troth, euen like thy father, and that thou canſt not abide, to ſpeake vnto thine vnckle Cantur. by circumloquutions and paraphraſes, but ſimply and plainely thou breakeſt thy minde vnto him, and telleſt him vnto his face, without al theſe friuolous circumſtances of, What is your name? and, Who gaue you that name? of, Ant pleaſe your worſhippe, &c. Thou telleſt him plainelie to his face, I ſay, that he is a very Antichriſtian beaſt, and an intollerable oppreſſour of Gods Church. And mee thought, when I read that point in thy Epilogue: then thought I, it will prooue a vengeable boy in time. For mee thinks that already, *patrizat ſat bene certe*. And truſt mee Iacke, I commend thee for thy plaineneſſe. And doe ſo ſtill, boy, for trueth neuer ſhames the Maiſter I warrant thee, and take it o my word. For indeed thine vncle Cantur. is no leſſe thē a moſt vile and curſſed tyrant in the Church. And a plain Antichriſt he is euen by the doctrine of the Church

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of England, and ſo by the doctrine of our Church are the reſt of our curſſed biſhops, in the proofe of which point by and by I will a little inſiſt. And becauſe manie take ſnuffe, that my father ſhoulde account them, yea, and prooue them pettie Anti-chriſts, I will manifeſt ie prooue them to be ſo, e uen by the doctrine of the Church of Englande, maintained by ſtatute and her Majeſties roiall priuiledge. For my father now hath taught vs ſuche a waie to reaſon againſt theſe Caiphaſes, in the Theſes ſet downe by thee, as wil anger al the vains in Iohn Canturburies heart. And that is, to ſhew, that they are ennemies vnto the doctrine of our church. Vnto the point I will come anone. But, firſt, brother Martin, I will ſchoole you in a pointe or two for your learning, in theſe things wherein I finde your Epilogue to be vnperfite. Firſt then, I trow, I woulde haue had ſome other manner of accuſations againſt our Puritans for their ſlackenes, then wherwith you haue charged them, as preſently I will declare. Secondlie, I would haue propounded ſome things of mine own againſt our biſhops, or elſe it ſhoulde haue coſt mee a fall. And that ſhou'd haue beene after this, or the like ſort:

I Martin Senior Gentleman, ſonne and heire to the reuerende and woorthie Metropolitane Martin Mar-prelate the Great, doe proteſt, affirme, ſay, propoūd, and obiect againſt Iohn Canturburie and his brethren, in maner and forme following;

Firſt I proteſt and affirme, that the foreſaide Iohn Whitgift, *alias* Canturburie, which nameth himſelfe

himselfe archbishop of Canturburie, is no Minister at all in the church of God, but hath, and doeth wrongfully vsurp, and inuade the name and seate of the ministerie, vnto the great detriment of the Church of God, the vtter spoyle of the soules of men, & the likelie ruine of this common-wealth, together with the great dishonour of her Majestie and the state. And in this case do I affirme al the Lord bishops in England to be.

2 Item I do protest, that the entering in of this cursed man Iohn Whitgift, and of all others our bishoppes in Englande, is not an entring into the church of God by the doore Christ Iesus. Wherefore I affirme all of them to be theeues, robbers, wolues, and worrriers of the flocke, and therefore no true shepeheards.

3 Item I do proclame the saide Iohn Canturburie, with the rest of our Prelates, to bee common simoniarkes, such as make merchandize of church liuings and benefices, by faculties, dispensations, &c. and make as common a gaine of Church censures, by absolutions & commutations of penãce, &c. as anie men in the lande doe of their lawefull trades and occupations.

4 Item I do propound and affirme, that the said Iohn Canturburie and his brethren, do hinder and lette with all their might, the true knowledge of God amongest her Majesties louing subjectes, the inhabitants of this kingdome, and thereby, besides their owne fore-prouided damnation, are guiltie of the blood of infinite thousands.

5 Item I doe proclaime, that the saide Iohn Whitgift with the rest of his brethren, doth spend and waste the patrimonie of the Church (which ought

ought to be employed, in the maintenance of true faithfull Ministers, and other church vses) in the persecuting the true members of Christ, her Majesties most trustie and louing subjects, and also vpon their owne pompe and ambitious pride, in maintening a rude vngodlie traine of vile men, & a companie of lewde and graceleſſe children.

6 Item I doe propound, that the ſaid Ioh. Whitgift and his brethren, do, as much as in them lieth, ſowe ſedition and diſcontentednes, betweene her Majeſtie, and her true loyall ſubjectes, by pretending that their practiſes in auoiding ſubſcription, and in depriuing men contrarie to lawe, as for the ſurpliſe, denieng to ſubſcribe, &c. is at her Majeſties commandement. As though her Highneſſe would commaund that which were contrarie vnto the true doctrine of our church, and contrarie vnto her lawfull ſtatutes and priuiledges: Or, as though ſhee woulde ſo delude her louing ſubjects, as publikelie to maintaine that true doctrine, and theſe godlie ſtatutes, which priuately ſhee woulde haue violated and troden vnder feete.

7 Item I the ſaide Martin Senior, do proteſt and affirme the ſaide Iohn Whitgift, with the reſt of his brethren, to haue incurred the ſtatute of *premunire facies*, for depriuing of Miniſters, for not ſubſcribing, not wearing the ſurpliſe, and for other their manifolde proceedings againſt law and equitie.

8 Item I doe propound all our biſhops for their ſaide practiſes to be, *ipſo facto* depriueable, and that her Majeſtie, if ſhe will doe them but right, may by lawe depriue them al to night before to morrowe.

9 I do alſo propound and auouch the ſaid Iohn Whitgift, and the reſt of his wicked fraternitie,

though

though by outwarde profeſſion they are in the church, yet to be none of the church, but to haue, vntill they repent and deſire to bee receiued into the church, cut themſelues (by the perſecuting of the trueth, and other their hainous ſinnes) from the intereſt and inheritance of the kingdom of heauen.

Item I do proteſt & affirme that the true churche of God ought to haue no more to do with Io. Canturburie his brother, and their ſynagogue, namely, with their Antichriſtian Courts of faculties, &c. with their officers of commiſſaries, archedeacons, chancellors, officialles, dumbe miniſters, &c. then with the ſynagogue of Sathan. And that hee their head and pope, together with his foreſaide rabble, are not to bee accounted for that church, whoſe cenſures we are to reuerence and obey, and in the vnitie whereof we are to remaine.

Item particularly, concerning Iohn Canturbrie himſelfe, I doe affirme, but yet no further then *quatenus probabile*, that is, by great likelihoodes, that he is ſo finally hardened in his hainous ſinnes againſt God and his church, that as hee cannot be reclaimed, for his mouth is full of curſing againſt God and his Saintes, his feete are ſwift to ſhed the blood of the holie ones, hee teareth in peeces the churches which hee ought to foſter, wilfully pulling the ſhepheards from their ſheepe, and ſo ſcattering them in a moſt lamentable ſorte, making much of wicked men that mainteine his popedome, and ſmiting the righteous for gainelaying his wayes, bringing in daily into the church, either by himſelfe or his hanglons newe errors not

heard of before. Blaſpheming the way of trueth. And being rooted in mallice againſt that truth of Chriſt Ieſus (who is bleſſed for euer) which he may ſee, if he did not hood-winke himſelfe, hee with all his power contrarieth and ſtriueth againſt the going forwarde of the Goſpell, leaſt by the light thereof his ſinnes ſhoulde be reprooued. Finally, hee hath in him too too many likelie teſtimonies of an heire of the kingdome of darkeneſſe, where, without his true turning vnto the Lorde, hee ſhall liue in hell for euer.

And wicked man! if thou meaneſt to bee elſewhere receiued, that is, into Chriſtes kingdome, turne thee from thy wickednes, and let men and Angelles be witneſſes of thy conuerſion. Thy high place cã not ſaue thee from his wrath whoſe truth thou ſuppreſſeſt, and whoſe members thou doeſt perſecute and impriſon. And I woulde not wiſhe thee to deferre thy repentance, leaſt thou calleſt with the fooliſh virgins when there is no opening. Thou ſeeſt euen heere vpon earth manifeſt tokens of Gods anger towards thee. For thou ſeekeſt for honour; but alas, I know none more contemptible then thy ſelfe, the pooreſt faithfull miniſter in the Lord, hath more true reuerence in one day, then thou haſt had ſince the firſt time of thy popedome. There are almoſt none of Gods children, but had as lieue ſee a ſerpent, as meete thee, not becauſe they feare thy face, but in as much as it greeueth them, that their eyes are forced to looke vpon ſo wicked an enemie of God and his church. Thine owne creatures them ſelues honour thee, but as tyrants are commonlie honoured of their paraſites and ſycophants. Thy brother the pope

hath

hath the like honor vnto thine, that is, an honor whose end will be shame and confusion of face for euer. The fearefull and contemptible ende, that haue beene brought vppon many of them, ought to terrifie thee. Nay, the message of death which the Lord sent lately euen into thine owne house, ought to moouc thee, and force thee to confesse, that thy yeares also, yea, and dayes are nombred. Doctor Perne, thou knowest was thy joy, and thou his darling. Hee was the dragon from whose serpentine breasts, thou diddest first drawe this poyson, wherewith nowe thou infectest the church of God, and feedest thy selfe vnto damnation. Hee liued a persecutour, an atheist, an hypocrite, and a dissembler, whome the worlde poynted at, and he died, thou knowest, the death due vnto such a life as he ledde; thou knowest hee died suddenly euen at thine owne palace of Lambehith, when, in thine owne judgement he was likelie, in regarde of bodilie strength, though not of age to out-liue thee. And take thou his death for a forewarning of thy destruction, except thou repent.

And these, brother Martin, with such like points, or some of those positions, wherwith I could haue thwacked my vncles about the shoulders I weene, an I had beene in thy place. There is one question more which *I* woulde haue propounded for mine vncka Bridges his sake; O *I* loue him, thou knowest. And therefore thus woulde *I* haue sette downe my proper-sition on his behalfe:

I Martin Senior, Gentleman, doe heere protest, affirme, propound, and defend, that if Iohn Canturburie will needs haue a foole in his house, wearing a wooden dagger, and a cockes-combe, that

none is ſo fitte for that place as his brother *Iohn* a Bridges Deane of Sarum. And that he viz. *Iohn* Bridges is by right to diſplace the other, with whó Lambeth now playes the aſſe, and is him ſelfe to be after a ſolemne maner, according to the booke of ordayning biſhoppes and prieſtes inueſted vnto that roome. Hauing for his officers and daily attendants theſe gentlemen following. Firſt and formoſt D. Robert Some for his confeſſor, who alſo, when his maiſter *Iohn* Sarum hath no vſe of his ſeruice, may be at my Lordes graces commandement, to reade the *ſtarue-vs* booke in his Chappell at Lambeth. Secondly, if he were not ſomething touched with the coinquinatiõ of the fleſh, *I* would appoint none but D. Vnderhill to be his Almener. Thirdly, Bancroft, and drunken Grauate ſhould be the yeomen of his Cellar. Anderſon [a] parſon of Stepney, ſhould make roome before him with his two hand ſtaffe, as he did once before the morrice daunce, at a market towne in the edge of Buckingham or Bedford ſhires, where he bare the Potters part. His two ſupporters alwayes to leade him by the armes, muſt be ſir Lenard Wright, and ſir Tom Blan o Bedford, the one whereof alſo muſt carrie his bable, and the other a looking glaſſe for their Maiſter, to ſee whether his catercappe doth euery way reach ouer his eares, and ſo ſtand according to his calling. As for Mar-Martin, and *Iohn* Fregneuile, they *alterius vicibus*, ſhall be the groomes of his ſtoole. The reſt of his officers *I* referre to the diſcretion of my father, vnto whoſe cenſure alſo *I* doe humbly ſubmit this conceit of mine. And it may be, *I* am bolde, to appoint theſe men their offices, who happily are at my fathers direction, to giue

a This chaplein robbed the poore mens box at Northampton, played the Potters part in the morrice daunce, and begotte his maide with child in Leiceſterſhire: and theſe things hee did ſince he was firſte Prieſt.

giue their attendance, where hee hath appointed thé their places. But this Ile bide by, though my father ſhoulde ſay nay, that Iohn Bridges deſerues to haue his place that weares the wooden dagger, the cockeſcombe, and the copper chaine at Laubehith. Iſe abide by it, come what wil of the matter.

The next thing that we are to conſider, brother Martin, is, a more juſt reprehenſion of the Puritanes, then that wherewith thou blameſt them. For thou findeſt fault with the Preachers onely, and that juſtly, I confeſſe, becauſe they are no more forward in caſting off theſe our popes. But I ſay, that with more equitie thou mighteſt haue blamed both the gentlemen and people together, with the Miniſters, then the Miniſters alone. For the Miniſters, although they be faultie, yet notwithſtanding thou canſt not denie, but the Gentlemen and people are as deepe in faulte as they are. And I woulde wiſh them both the one & the other, to take this, or ſome ſuch courſe, as I heere ſet downe, which alſo for a great parte of it, though not all, I ſawe in a Puritans hand, and ſo came by a coppie of it, thinking if I coulde haue heard of my father, to let him haue the vſe of my copy: but now you ſee I publiſh it my ſelfe. I would then haue al the Puritans in the land, both lordes, knights, gentlemen, miniſters, and people, to become joint ſuiters in one ſupplicatiō vnto her Majeſtie, and the Lords of her honorable priuie counſell in theſe petitions;

1 Firſt, that there may be a redreſſe of the great ignorance wherewith our whole land is ouergrowen by placing, able, and faithfull teachers ouer euery congregation as neere as may be.

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2 Secondly, that al vnlawful and ſinful callings may be remoued out of our miniſterie & church.

3 Thirdlie, that the church within her Majeſties dominions may bee gouerned by theſe offices and officers onelie, which the Lorde Chriſt Ieſus hath ſet downe in his worde.

4 Fourthlie, that for the quiet and orderlie taking vp of theſe controuerſies which are riſen in our church, concerning the gouernement and ceremonies thereof, betweene our Prelates, and thoſe learned men, which are contrary minded vnto them, there might be had a quiet meeting of both the parties, and the controuerſies determined on their ſide, who ſhall be found to deale for (and not againſt) the trueth: Or, if this fourth petition cannot take place, I would haue this in the ſteade thereof, viz.

That it may pleaſe her Majeſtie, and the Lordes of her Majeſties honourable priuie counſell, to ſee that the true ſubjects of this crowne, may not bee troubled, as nowe they are, for defending ſuch points, as being according vnto the word of God, are alſo according to the priuiledged doctrine of the church of England, which is maintened by the ſtatutes of th s land, and that in caſe the Prelates doe moleſt any man, as now they doe, for mainteining the doctrine of our church, or otherwiſe contrary vnto the lawes of our land, it may be lawfull for him or them thus injuried, to haue his remedie at the Kings bench, againſt the ſaide Prelates.

Nowe Iacke, what ſayeſt thou? I am ſure thou canſt not denie, but theſe petitions, in thy judgement would be an eaſie ſute. I trowe ſo too, and I thinke, that now thou findeſt greater fault, or at the

the leaſt as great, with the Puritane noblemen, gentlemen, and people, as with the miniſters, becauſe this or the like courſe goeth not on forward. And I can tell thee there would be gotten an hundreth thouſand hands to this ſupplication, of knowen men in the land, all her Majeſties moſt loyall and truſtie louing ſubjects. Thou mayeſt then well thinke what a ſtroke ſo many woulde ſtrike together, eſpeciallie in ſo reaſonable and juſt a ſuite. And heereby our biſhoppes ſhoulde be prooued to be Lord biſhoppes in deede, that is, [a] vngodlie and ſlaunderous lyars. When her Majeſtie ſawe, that the Puritanes ſeeke not any intollerable courſe, (for if the foreſaide petitions be not to be borne, I know not what is ſufferable) as the biſhops woulde pretend. And further it ſhould appeare, that they are not a fewe, and of ſmall reputation, but in a maner the ſtrength of our land, and the ſynowe of her Majeſties royall gouernement, which our biſhops do falſely note with the names of Puritanes. The conſideration whereof, I tell thee, euen in policie, woulde make, that this their ſuite ſhoulde not be haſtely rejected, eſpecially in ſuch a time, as wherein wee nowe liue in daunger of our ennemies abroad, and therefore had neede of no cauſes of diſcouragement at home. Whie man, this were alſo ſuch a courſe as it would deſcrie our biſhops Engliſh, to be plaine ſlaunder and treacherie againſt the trueth, and the mainteiners thereof, as indeede it is.

[a] A pretie briefe definition of a Lord biſhop.

The biſhops Engliſh wilt thou ſay? Now I pray you, reuerend brother, what is that? Whie Iacke doeſt thou not vnderſtand what our biſhoppes Engliſh meaneth? I doe not greatly maruell, becauſe

Biſhops Engliſh.

I my ſelfe came but latelie vnto the knowledge of it aright. But nowe that *I* haue beſtowed a little ſtudie that waie, *I* doe thinke there are but a few in England, that ſee into it as farre as *I* doe, *Semper excipio Platonem* you know, *I* alwayes giue place to my father, for he made the firſt grammar and lexicon in our time. for the vnderſtanding hereof. Thy ſmall experience then conſidered, *I* wonder not of thine ignorance in this poynt. But to ſatisfie thy demaunde, the biſhops Engliſh is to wreſt our language in ſuch ſorte, as they will drawe a meaning out of our Engliſh wordes, which the nature of the tongue can by no meanes beare. As for example, *Receiue the Holy-Ghoſt*, in good biſhops Engliſh is as much as, *I pray God thou mayeſt receiue the Holy-ghoſt.* And againe, *My deſire is, that I may be baptized in this faith*, to their vnderſtanding, and in their dialect is after this ſort; *My deſire is, not that I my ſelfe, but that this childe vvherevnto I am a vvitneſſe, may bee baptized in this faith.* Further to intreate her Maieſtie, and the Parliament, that the miſeries of the church may be redreſſed, in the Prelates language is, to ſeeke the ouerthrowe of the ſtate, and the diſquietneſſe of her ſubjects. And if a man ſhoulde goe and aske thine vncle Canturburie: (but ſtay boy, *I* meane not that thou ſhouldeſt goe and demaunde the queſtion of him) what it were in the tongue, which he and his brethren doe commonly vſe, to put vp ſuch a dutifull ſupplication as before *I* haue ſet downe, why his anſwere woulde be preſently, that to deale in ſuch a ſuite, were to rebell againſt her Majeſtie, to pull the crowne off of her head, to make a faction to wreſt the ſcepter out of her hand, and to ſhake off all authoritie. A wonderfull

I am ſure, that they woulde not for forty pence, that, Receiue a biſhopricke, ſhoulde be expounded vnto, I wiſh thou mayeſt receiue a biſhopricke when they receiue the Holie-Ghoſt.

derfull thing in thy conceit I knowe it will bee, to thinke, that humbly and ductifullie to entreate, ſhoulde in the Engliſh tongue ſignifie by vnbrideled force vnductifullie to compell, and that to ſeeke the remoouing of vnlawefull callings out of the church ſhould be to threaten, that the lawfull magiſtrate ſhould bee thruſt out of the commonwealth: but, ſimple boy, ſuch Engliſh muſt thou ſtudie to vnderſtand, or elſe thou ſhalt neuer be able to Piſtle thine vncle Canturburie ſo learnedlie as my father and I can doe. And therefore I woulde with, that of the firſt money, which thou meaneſt to beſtowe in bookes, thou wouldeſt buie thee thy fathers [a] Grammar and his lexicon, with a briefe thing called his *capita concordantiarum*, and ſtudie theſe well but one moneth, and out o doubt, thou ſhalt, with the pretie skill which thou haſt already, be able to ouerturne anie catercap of them all. I would thou kneweſt what great light to the vnderſtanding of all the biſhops treacheries a little time beſtowed in theſe volumes haue affoorded vnto me.

a Theſe bookes are not yet printed.

Wel, by this time I thinke thou perceiueſt what a braue waie this ſupplication which I ſpeake of, were, to prooue our biſhops to be treacherous and vile ſlaunderers. For hereby her Majeſtie ſhould perceiue, that the rumors which the biſhops raiſe falſly, concerning the great daunger that woulde enſue vnto her crowne, by the reformation which the Puritanes ſeeke and labor for, are nothing els, but in a cunning and myſticall kind of vnnaturall Engliſh to tranſlate, *The Puritanes by the eſtablishing of the kingdome of Chriſt, ſeeke the ſure vpholding of the crowne and dignitie of their dread ſouereigne ladie Elizabeth,*

zibeth, into this handsome bishoplike miter: *The Puritanes by their platforme of reformation seeke the vtter ruine and subuersion of Lade Elizabeth, her Crowne and dignitie.* I am sure her Majestie woulde welfauouredlie laugh at such a translation as this is, and yet beholde, such fine must be content with, if shee will vouchsafe to yeelde her eares vnto a bishops persuasion. Yet thus much must I say of them, namelie, that although they bee not the best expounders of wordes that euer I read, yet doe they neuer translate anie thing *e verbo ad verbum*, which by learned men is commended as an especial vertue in a translator. But O that I, as simple as I am might reade a lecture or twoo concerning this bishoplike translation, if not before her Majestie, yet at the least before some of her nobles, I woulde not doubt but to vnfolde such a deale of strange English (and yet the verie *vernacula* viz. the naturall mother tongue of our vnnaturall Prelates) as was neuer heard of in this land since the Saxons time.

Here I knowe, that thou arte readie to enquire two points of mee for thine instruction; the one, how our Prelates can be prooued Antichristes by the church of England, the other, howe thou mayest come by those bookes of my father before quoted. Well, thus I will briefflie aunsweare thee in both.

For the first, Maister Tindall in the Preface of his booke called, The Obedience of a Christian man pag. 102. prooueth them to bee Antichristes, in as much as in their doctrine, and their dooings, concerning nonresidencie, they are directlie against Christ and his worde. I charge thee reade the place, because at this time I am not at leisure

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to ſet it downe; I can tell thee the reading of it wil be double woorth thy paines.

My fathers bookes afore ſpoken of, are not in print, *I* confeſſe, I would they were. Yet it may be I could direct thee where to go, to haue mine. But bicauſe I meane yet further to puniſh thee for thy ſlippes in thy Piſtle, I will not doe thee that plea ſure. For now in deede it commeth into my mind, that thou haſt dealt fooliſhlie in two points, beſids all other thy fore-reckoned ouerſights.

Firſt thou haſt hereby exaſperated againſt thy father and other poore men his well willers, not onely thy vncle Caiphas, but haſt ſet on the moſt of thine neames, to giue their aduiſe howe to entrap him and his fauourers. For tenne to one, but that Beelzebub of London will diſcharge the purſuvants, to go to their buſines with this or the like madmonition.

My Maſters, you muſt not ſleepe in this matter. The maintenãce of the peace of our church ſtandeth now in your faithfulnes and care. They are deſperately ſet to ouerthrowe al. And by the maſſe I will be a purſuvant my ſelfe, rather then abide this tumult. And if I were, I trowe I would watch about Trauerſe his houſe in Milke ſtreete, who go in and out there, and I would know what they caried vnder their cloakes too, euen anie of them al. There is Paget at Hounſlo, I beſhrewe my heart if I would ſhewe him anie ſuch fauour as my Lordes Grace heere doeth. They are naught, they are naught, all the packe of them, Ile truſt none of them all. There is Cartwright too at Warwicke, he hath got him ſuch a companie of diſciples, both of the worſhipful, and other of the poorer ſort, as we

haue no cauſe to thanke him. Neuer tell me, that he is too graue to trouble himſelfe with Martins conceits. Tuſh, they will doe anie thing to ouerthrow vs, that they might haue our liuings anie o them all. I knowe what a good liuing is able to do with the beſt of vs all. Cartwright ſeekes the peace of our Church no otherwiſe then his platforme may ſtand. And you knowe, my Lord, that there is no biting to the olde ſnake. And I doe not ſee o my troth, but that Martins abetters may be worſe then himſelfe, and doe more miſchiefe. Therefore goe me to all their houſes, ſpare mee none of them, knights, gentlemen, and all. For I truſt the high commiſſion may go to anie knight, yea, or noble mans houſe in England. Therfore, my Lords, I woulde wiſh, that ſome continuall ſpie may be in all thoſe places which are moſt ſuſpected. And let him learne to be wiſe, to creepe into acquaintance with ſome of the preciſer ſorte, and looke ſmoothlie for a time, vntill hee can execute his commiſſion.

Lo yongman, do not you deſerue ſtripes, for fleſhing on theſe blood-hounds in this ſort? Let men looke to keep them in as good temper as poſſiblie they can, yet wil they haue [a] a blacke tooth in their heads, do what we may. But yet I would haue born with all this, if thou haddeſt taken a little paines in ryming with Mar-Martin; that the cater-caps may knowe, howe the meaneſt of my fathers ſonnes is able to anſweare them, both at blunt and ſharpe. And for thy further inſtruction againſt an other time, heere is a ſample for thee of that, which in ſuch like caſes thou art to performe, if I or my father ſhould ſet thee a worke.

[a] The manifeſt token of a mad dog.

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¶ The firſt riſing, generation, and origi-
nall of Mar-Martin.

From Sarum came a gooſes egge,
with ſpecks and ſpots bepatched,
A prieſt of Lambeth coucht thereon:
thus was Mar-Martin hatched.
Whence hath Mar-Martin all his wit,
but from that egge of Sarum?
The reſt coms all from great Sir Iohn,
who rings vs all this larum.
What can the cokatrice hatch vp,
but ſerpent like himſelfe?
What ſees the Ape within the glaſſe,
but a deformed Elfe?
Then muſt Mar-Martin haue ſome ſmell
of forge or elſe of fire,
A ſotte in wit, a beaſt in minde:
for ſo was damme and ſire.

Mar-Martin engendred of Canturburie and Sarum.

Or elſe thou mighteſt haue requited him
in this Epitaph thus:

If that Mar-Martin die the death, that to the dog is due,
Vpon his tomb engraue this verſe, & you shal find it true:

He lies endiched here that from the ladder toppe
Did once bebleſſe the people thus, but firſt he kiſt the rope
Come neere, quoth he, take heede by me,
I loued to lie by ryming,
Tis juſt you ſee, and doth agreee,
that now I die by climing:
What wretch but I, that vowed to lie,
all falſhoode ſtill defending?
Who may ſay ſie? No beaſt but *I*,
loe here you ſee my ending.

Mar-Martins auricular confeſſion from the toppe of a gibet.

I liued a wretch, *I* die the ſtretch,
my daies and death agree:
Whoſe life is blameful, his death is ſhame-
be warnd ye rogues by mee. (ſful,
The juſteſt *I* hated, the godlieſt I rated,
and thus *I* railed my fill:
The good I deteſted, the beſt things I wre-
to ſerue mine owne beaſtlie will. (ſted,
Religion I lothed, my ſelfe *I* betrothed,
to all the lewd ſnares of ſinne. (whore,
Tis ſhame to ſaye more, take heede of a
her [a] markes ſticke yet in my skinne.
Aske you the cauſe? *I* ſpurnd at Gods laws,
and hence comes all my wracke,
Where ſhould he dwel, that feares not hel,
but with the furies blacke?
A beaſt that braues, a tongue that raues,
wil God reuenge in ire.
Then vengeance muſt (for God is iuſt)
fall to Mar-Martins hire.

[a] Beleeue him, then, but drinke not with him.

Take example then my cleargie Chapleins, by this lamentable fall of your Mar-Martin.

My tongue in ribaudrie,
My heart in villanie,
My life in treacherie,
Hath wrought me my fall.
I ſtroue for the prelacie,
And ſo ſhooke off honeſtie,
O vile indignitie!
Yet woulde this were all.

Loe youth; though *I* were loth to file my fingers with ſuch a brothell beaſt as this Mar-Martin is, yet becau'e thou diddeſt let him goe by thee (mee thought) halfe vnbranded, I was the willinger as thou ſeeſt, to giue him a wipe or twoo, which *I* beleeue he wil neuer claw off with honeſtie while he liues

liues. And I would wish him, with the rest of the rimers, if they be wise, to take heede of my next Pistle. *Indeede I* denie not, but thou hast said pretily to him, neither woulde *I* haue thee discouraged in thy good and honorable course against these prelates. Neuertheles, *I* muze thou diddest let him go cleare away with his poperie of sir Nicholas Priestes. Also, where like a good Catholike hee counsels vs (we thanke him) to say a rounde *Pater noster* for Q. Elizabeth, *I* muze thou saidst nothing to that, considering how much her Majestie is beholden to him in that regarde. And much more had shee beene, if hee had added an *Aue Marie* to it: those both together, with a peece of S. Iohns Gospell about ones loines, woulde haue beene a principall receit for the collicke. But sure nowe *I* thinke on it, he brought it in onelie but to make vp his ryme. And if you scanne it well, tis a pretie one, marke it well:

O England nowe ful often must thou Pater noster say.

How sayst thou, hast thou anie skil in Musike? *If* thou haue, then *I* am sure thou wilt confesse with mee, that this bastarde pentamenter verse hath a fine sweete loose at the latter ende, with a draught of Darbie ale. But what sayest thou to it? Whether likest thou better of these Nicholas Priestes that can so amble away with the *Pater noster*, or of that little priest of Surrey, who bade his maide in her extreamitie of sickenesse say, *Magnificat*, say *Magnificat?*

Well boy, to drawe to an ende, notwithstanding thy small defectes, perswade thy selfe, that *I* loue thee: doubt not of that. And here before we part, take this one graue lesson of thine elder brother:

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Be ſilent and cloſe, heare manie, conferre with few. And in this point doe as *I* doe; know not thy father though thou mayeſt. For *I* tell thee, if *I* ſhoulde meete him in the ſtreete, *I* woulde neuer aske him bleſſing: walke ſmoothely and circumſpectly, and if anie offer to talke with thee of Martin, talke thou ſtraite of the voyage into Portugal, or of the happie death of the Duke of Guyſe, or ſome ſuch accident; but meddle not with thy father. Onely, if thou haue gathered anie thing in viſitation for thy father, and haſt a longing to acquaint him therewith, doe no more but intreate him to ſignifie in ſome ſecret printed Piſtle where a will haue it lefte, and that'e ſerue thy turne as good as the beſt. The reaſon whie wee muſt not knowe our father is, that *I* feare leaſt ſome of vs ſhoulde fall into *Iohn* Canturburie his hand, and then heele threaten vs with the racke vnleſſe wee bewray all we knowe. And what get we then by our knowledge? For *I* had rather be ignorant of *That* do me no good, then know *That* hurt me, ka M. Martin Senior. Farewell boy, and learne to reuerence thy elder brother.

Pag. 6. line 18. for, giue all the good, reade, go all the ground

Pag. 14. line 12. for, auoiding, reade vrging

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